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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summaries for each FAR rule follow. For the actual revisions and/or amendments made by these FAR cases, refer to the specific item numbers and subject set forth in the documents following these item summaries. FAC 2005–51 amends the FAR as specified below:

Item I—Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Program (Interim) (FAR Case 2010–015)

This interim rule amends the FAR to add subpart 19.15, Women-Owned Small Business Program, which will assist Federal agencies in achieving the 5 percent statutory goal for contracting with women-owned small businesses (WOSB) concerns.

Agencies may restrict competition to economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concerns for contracts assigned a North American Industry Classification Systems (NAICS) code in an industry in which the Small Business Administration has determined that WOSB concerns are underrepresented in Federal procurement. For NAICS code industries where WOSB concerns are not just underrepresented, but substantially underrepresented, agencies may restrict competition to WOSB concerns eligible under the WOSB Program.

EDWOSB concerns and WOSB concerns eligible under the WOSB Program must be owned and controlled by one or more women who are citizens of the United States. An EDWOSB concern is automatically a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This document summarizes the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) rules agreed to by DoD, GSA, and NASA in this Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2005–51. A companion document, the Small Entity Compliance Guide (SECG), follows this FAC. The FAC, including the SECG, is available via the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov.

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